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**Memorandum**

**Subject:** Geoprobe Sampling Effort for the Montrose Chemical  
& Del Amo Superfund Sites

**To:** Rose Fong, Regional ICF Project Officer  
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**From:** Nancy Woo, RPM *NW*  
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I would like to bring attention to the outstanding effort of the ICF staff who participated on the Montrose/Del Amo Superfund sites neighborhood soil sampling effort that occurred in this summer. The field crew, led by Dan Rodoni, performed admirably under adverse conditions.

As you may know, the Montrose /Del Amo Superfund sites are the focus of a very active community group, the media and elected officials. EPA had requested ICF to become familiar with the activities at the Montrose/Del Amo Superfund sites, draft a Field Sample plan & a Health and Safety plan as well as mobilize in approximately one month's time. I think Vicky Taylor was essential in recognizing potential issues and avoiding unnecessary complications or delays.

The field effort lasted longer than expected due to EPA's decision to accommodate many of the residents' request to sample their yards. Such requests placed a burden on the field team that was formed to handle a smaller volume of samples. What EPA and ICF intended to be a two week effort actually lasted a little over four weeks. Within that time frame, approximately 25 properties were sampled involving at least one boring at each of the 25 properties and in some cases two to three borings per property. The borings ranged from depths of one foot to approximately 21 feet.

I commend the field crew for their hard work and diligence on this field effort. Their efforts are appreciated by myself and all of the EPA staff associated with the Montrose and Del Amo sites.

**cc:** Stewart Simpson